

I use the internet. The whole thing. Not just "the parts of the internet that Comcast wants me to use."

—Bridget Magnus, Las Vegas, NV

Private market oligopolists should not be allowed to squeeze non-economic profits from internet technologies developed by public research and the efforts of individual programmers. Simply because the state licensed oligopolists have been allowed to become oversized gatekeepers by reckless industry concentration does not justify their schemes to further differentiate and price gouge an easily scalable and growable technology with broad applications for public economic, cultural and social good. Instead of having "revolving door" regulators/lobbyists going through outlandish gyrations to sophistically rationalize non-economic attempts to unnecessarily limit the use and increase the costs for users of a robust technological application, simply administratively classify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you.

—T Cassidy, Amherst, NH

Protect the internet from being taken over by major corporation. Already corporations are controlling most of our government. Please don't let them dominate our internet, too.

—Jonathan Backstrom, Cambridge, MA

The net must be neutral. It is not to be exploited by ISPs for their own commercial gain.

—David Cade, Mardu,

Following a SC ruling that "Freedom of Speech," also has an inherent principle, the right to be heard, the FCC ordered telecommunication companies to develop technology for the hearing and sight impaired. Is that unalienable right in danger?

—Peter J. O'Lalor Ph.D., Worcester, MA

For a world with justice & freedom , NET NEUTRALITY is the stabilizing "peace" weapon!

—Lambros Tropeas, Athens,

Keep the playing field level! If large amounts of capital are required to enter a media space then we will be stuck with the current choice list: no one wants that!

—Aaron Zull, Lafayette, IN

The internet as we know it has provided freedom of expression and press without worry of unnecessary censorship.

—Matt Fournier, Apopka, FL

Net Neutrality is extremely important to our country's ability to compete in the global market. It stimulates competition and innovation. If you follow through with your fast lanes option, small developing companies will be priced out of the market. Its is absolutely crazy to me. We already lag behind much of the developed world in internet speed. Why do we want to move BACKWARDS in technology?? Faster speeds AVAILABLE TO ALL should be the goal here. Yet, once again, powerful, big-moneyed companies are calling the shots. Please, Tom Wheeler, don't be weak. Stand up for what is best for our country.

—Melissa Glen, Ridgefield, CT

The Internet is an essential part of modern life and it must be kept neutral and not be allowed to be controlled by industry.

—Nancy Langer, Sioux Falls, SD

Many small businesses have a website. If the FCC lets only big business have access to a fast lane, many small business could go out of business. That means more people will lose their jobs. Keep the net neutral.

—Anita Tsalagi Asha, West Palm Beach, FL

Net Neutrality is important to the citizens of the United States because the FCC enforcing it might eventually cause the cable giants to actually decide to compete with one another, which hopefully would lead to lower competitive rates and fees. Plus, maintaining Net Neutrality is simply the right thing to do.

—James P Brown, Rio Rancho, NM

Please reclassify the internet service providers as common carriers.

—Julia Briggs, Snohomish, WA

It is important to me that we all have open and free access to internet. Companies within the industry are much too big and should not have any more control of it than they do. We are manipulated enough.

—Chris Baker, Coeur d Alene, ID

Free Speech includes the Internet which is a utility that no one should have any have any advantages over anyone or anything else. The giant companies of the Internet are not better nor more deserving of better service. We pay too much for speed that needs to increase as we are nowhere near the leaders in Internet speed. Exactly what does America excel at other than consistent mediocracy in all the things we used to be the leader in and always being at war? The fact that the FCC has a cable industry insider as a leader is an outrage. Why have the fox in the henhouse? We can and must do better. Americans are tired of corporate rule and diminishing services at increasing costs. Please throw out Wheeler and his new rules reclassify ISPs as common carriers for the above reasons.

—Steven Clawges, Wernersville, PA

I hate to be manipulated

—Marianne A. van Ophuijsen, Amsterdam,

to foster innovation and prevent the big guys from suffocating the little ones in the crib.

—Ian Asaff, Medford, MA

Hey FCC. Watch John Oliver.

—Harry Morgan, Schenectady, NY

I am sick and tired of big corporations taking control.

—Jeffrey A. Coleman, Palmetto, FL

This plan is absolutely ridiculous. The Internet has, since its creation, been a place where anyone can do anything that they wish, a safe haven for free speech. Are you really trying to change that so that companies that are already rich can become wealthier at the expense of people of all social standings? If you sign this legislation, you would prove that you do not care about the people of America or the world, and that you are puppets of big business. Please don't sign this nightmare.

—Emi Kimbrough, Jacksonville, FL

The FCC's proposed solution will require constant monitoring and eternal vigilance concerning carriers' contracts with content providers as well as the conditions under which they provide their own content. Thus, the hand of government will be heavier than if common carrier status were established, less ambiguous rules less in need of constant interpretation could be promulgated, and competition for viewers among content providers could be allowed to do it's work with less danger of being distorted by a communications oligopoly.

—Ken Allen, Towson, MD

The internet's value is based upon ideas and their free dissemination, not a tiered system based upon corporate greed.

—Lara Miletta, Leominster, MA

No one entity should control the net'
—Mrs Carolyn B Kenney, Benson, NC

The net must be neutral with non discrimination against online content or applications.
—Philippe Sannier, Abbeville,

We need an open & fair internet to keep its democratizing power. NET NEUTRALITY NOW!
—Rachael Vasquez, Dublin, CA

The internet is one of the most revolutionary ideas to come along in decades. The wealth of knowledge available to the public is second to none. Any limitations or restrictions that may be imposed on the free access to net by the public is an attack on freedom. Net Neutrality is imperative if the public is to be allowed to stay informed on pertinent issues. Please do the right thing for the public and future generations by keeping the net neutral. Thank you for our time.
—Francis G Flynn, Albany, NY

Net neutrality is critical to democracy.
—Matt Skoufalos, Haddon Twp, NJ

Ted Berners-Lee who invented the net as we know it....or as we DID know it....created it to be OPEN. Which is how it should stay.
—Deborah Black, Sonoma, CA

Do not sell us to private interests!
—Max tzinman, NY, NY

As a private citizen, I am reduced to begging you to listen to the public, and not to the few corporations, who would like to influence and restrict our use of the internet.
—Martha M Kennedy, Winston-Salem, NC

"Net Neutrality" is the equivalent of the proverbial soapbox in the town square! Equal access to the web and it's multiple audiences is a Civil Right! NO MULTI-TIERED SYSTEM OF DELIVERY SHOULD BE COUNTENANCED!
—James DiMunno, Long Island City, NY

My subscription fees for high speed internet helped pay for Comcast's network. They created it because it was and is profitable. To allow them to be gatekeepers only increases their revenue, drives up the cost for other companies who then passes the cost onto the consumer. Please do the right thing for the consumer and not for the lobbyist this time. This is far to big of a thing to hand over. The Internet doesn't appear broken to me right now but it sure looks like that is what the FCC has in mind if they go down the path of giving away the keys to the Internet.
—Stan Makowski, Aurora, CO

Please, NO TWO-TIERED INTERNET.
—June Hurst, New York, NY

A system that favors speed and access for some but not others on the net is very unfair. It has HUGE implications for abuse in controlling access to news, information, and communications. The Internet should not have restraints that make it slower, and allow entities to influence traffic and access. Keep the internet free for everyone.
—Jill Curtis, West Bloomfield, MI

Think of the negative impact a multi-tiered internet will have on the rural education systems of this country. The schools don't have funding to pay for more bandwidth to get to the small sites so critical to a well rounded education. Multi-tiered will allow the big publishers to push their ideas, and weaken the independent thought of Americans.

—Marvin Dezendorf, Townshend, VT

large corporations should not have an undue presence in the face of small competitors and the individual

—Michael Eckroth, Jackson Heights, NY

REAL net neutrality is SO IMPORTANT in the freedoms that we all share. PLEASE listen to the people and NOT large corporate lobby groups.

—Jon Eidson, Weatherford, TX

Who wants a change? Not the people, that's for sure! Please! Listen to the people, not Comcast or Verizon. Preserve Net Neutrality.

—Joseph Benson, Brick, NJ

The internet belongs to us all, hands off!

—Sue, Jesusville,

This is truly against our freedoms and democracy.

—Deborah Disette, Salt Lake City, UT

Monopolies should not control the internet. The net should be a cradle of democracy, with equal access for all.

—Willa O'Connor, Kensington, CA

The US currently ranks below Estonia(!) in internet. Do YOU want the US to fall FURTHER DOWN?

—Clifford Terry, Knoxville, TN

AT&T and Version did not invent the internet. Keep net neutrality.

—Bruno Konopka, Omaha, NE

I want the Internet to remain a democratic platform, unhindered by corporate influence!

—Mark Grotzke, Tinley Park, IL

PLEASE PROTECT OUR DEMOCRACY BY PROTECTING NET NEUTRALITY!!!!

—Alexis Laine, Pebble Beach, CA

Net Neutrality is one of the core principle that has allowed the internet to become the even, level playing field that it is. It can be a force for democracy and positive change, please do not undermine that as it affects every country, not just the U.S.

—Simon Michelmore, Adelaide,

It is inexcusable to think that a small group of individuals can steal what belongs to all of us and sell it to the highest bidder. Small enterprises need a fair internet, a level playing field and not a whose who club of big-shots running rough shot and dictating the rules of the road.

—Tracy Merritt, Hull, GA

Keep net neutrality. I want to start a business and I don't want to be discriminated against against competition as a start up. I also want the services I enjoy to be limited out of my control because that service doesn't pay for "fast lane" access. Net neutrality is one of the important parts of capitalism and innovation. Removing this will stifle innovation and set us back. Nothing is more important than this as a medium of communication from emergency services to environmentalism, as well as business and industry and charities. We must make sure all services have an equal playing field.

—Luke Bellamy, Colchester,

No big company should be allowed to have a "fast lane" internet access. We need to keep the pipes 100% neutral to allow innovation and freedom to propagate.

—Ofer Tchernichovski, Beacon, NY

Once we have paid to access internet service, none should be able to control the particulars of our access, regardless of which services we are accessing. The internet is a global community, one of the only places to access a diverse array of information without discrimination. Our ISPs should NOT have the right to manipulate our content providers based on what they hope to gain from them.

—Alyssa Sarantos, Andover, MA

FCC throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The internet is a public service, not a private enterprise. Putting it in the hands of profiteers destroys everything the internet was created to support and protect! The internet is perhaps the most important public utility in the world. It should not be for sale to the highest bidder!

—Bettemae Johnson, Albuquerque, NM

reclassify isp's as common carriers. Let the people have their voice and access what they want, not what corporations want them to.

—John H Schock, Kingston, NY

We must protect the internet as a free and neutral service. Giving preference to those that can pay more is only the gateway to giving preference to ideas that we like more and the loss of free speech on the internet. We must reclassify the internet as a utility as vital to our current society as water, electricity, and gas.

—David Terrell, Batavia, IL

The Internet needs to remain free and open to the majority of Americans who might not otherwise have access. Please keep the internet accessible for all.

—Irma D. Salley, WASHINGTON, DC

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Gerry Milliken, Clarkdale, AZ

Net neutrality is the fundamental principle of the net. Once that goes everything goes.

—Norman Wright, Hove,

the world is not meant to be George Orwell's "1984". Every move we make, every step taken to undermine free speech, liberties and unrestricted communication.

—Carl Hewitt Smith, Monterrey,

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!

—V Loring, Dartmouth, MA

I am in a rural area and feel that my service will suffer in small providers to rural areas have to pay more when they don't have a lot of customers.

—Patricia Wilson, Vesta, VA

IF FREEDOM OF THE PRESS IS IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN THE REPUBLIC, THEN NET NEUTRALITY IS EQUALLY IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN THE KNOWLEDGE AND POWER OF THE CITIZENS -- FOR THE NET TODAY IS IN FACT THE MOST POWERFUL ARM OF A FREE PRESS!

—Rebecca Gregory-Chifos, Indpls, IN

communication plus knowledge equal freedom

—Jan Ebersole, chesterfield, MI

NET NEUTRALITY IS IMPORTANT TO THE FREEDOMS OF THIS COUNTRY, NOT FOR THE RICH OLIGARCHS..!!

—James Crook, black earth, WI

Without Net Neutrality my startup business will fail.

—Richard Harris, Plattsburgh, NY

For equality options for all citizens, not just benefits for corporations.

—Dr. Federico Subervi, Austin, TX

Net neutrality is good for taxpaying Americans. Anything else is just promoting and pandering to the greedy, the economically powerful, the politically connected. The FCC should protect and promote the interests of the American people.

—Rich Warner, Schenectady, NY

The internet is the best source for news and truth. If media companies can slow or make it inconvenient to get the truth, you will only get what special interests pay the media company to show you. (kind of like politics)

—Robert Barlow, Wassaic, NY

Democracy depends on the free and unbiased distribution of information so that we have the ability to make informed decisions. I request you do not give allow companies to control the flow of information. Thank you.

—Scott Chase, Pine Plains, NY

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Francisco Mendoza, Miami, FL

Equality has always been the hallmark of American culture. It doesn't always achieve it, but the idea of setting up something that has worked very well to become a boondoggle for major corporate financial interests goes against all our best interests. It is sad that those in the leadership of one of our most equalizing institutions want to destroy it.

—Dee Danley-Brown, El Dorado Hills, CA

the internet is a utility. it needs to be regulated as such so the public service is equal.

—Tim Wolcott, JOHNSON CITY, NY

Internet is last FREE communications available to Americans. Take it away and a fascist police state is assured. Stop caving into big money and listen to Americans

—John Dinkmeyer, Grand Lake, CO

Why should only the 1 percent get a fast internet?

—Kurt Kiebler, Overland Park, KS

The Internet is a vital communications resource. It should be classified as a public utility and regulated as such. We should not allow big providers like AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon to unduly influence the availability of Internet content by creating fast and slow lanes.

—Steven Kent, Fairfax, VA

Ending net neutrality would produce a two-tiered system that would disadvantage everyday users of the internet-- please do not approve the new proposed FCC rules that would, in essence, destroy net neutrality.

—Michael Vicaro, Pittsburgh, PA

Do we not let the wealthy and big corporations stomp all over everybody else enough? Maybe the Internet should be free for all. Or maybe we should elect a president open to mass-firings of FCC employees who don't listen to the people whose interests they are supposed to be serving.

—Dr. Barry Eshkol Adelman, Vero Beach, FL

New rules will stifle innovation and damage the United States economy. Classify ISPs as common carriers!

—Edward Walker III, Rockville, MD

Because no one should own the internet!! It belongs to everyone, and is an important part of life that shouldn't be controlled by big business

—Jennifer Kusnyer, Friendswood, TX

As a former lobbyist for the industry, Tom Wheeler is not suitable to serve as chairman of the FCC.

—Andrejs Jansons, Leonia, NJ

Allowing Net Neutrality is important because if those guys in the FCC were in my place they be complaining themselves. Who knows, they just might.

—Jawara D Pittman, Atlanta, GA

Do not allow net discrimination. Fast lanes are not fair for all who cannot afford to pay for them. Net neutrality is important and should be maintained.

—Deborah Schechter, Chicago, IL

Innovation and democracy both require an unfettered internet. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Kathy Orlinsky, Irvine, CA

PLEASE reclassify ISPs as common carriers. In this age of increasing inequities we urgently need net neutrality.

—Deborah Boedeker, Providence, RI

Telcom giants like AT&T, Time Warner, Comcast etc. already have too much control over phone/internet/cable in the USA. The result is every person paying much more for services than they need to. These companies need to modernize and move with the market rather than trying to control it.

—Damien Mase, Columbia, SC

We want the internet free and neutral. No vying for advertisements or which part of the internet to look at like cable TV. That defeats the whole purpose of the internet.

—Charity Moschopoulos, Annandale, VA

It is fairly obvious to most Americans (and should be to the FCC) ISP's are common carriers and can not be treated in any other way.

—David Cromwell, Brownsville, TX

Stop pandering to corporations that believe the government, including the FCC, can be controlled for special interests. A democracy needs fair and equitable opportunities for competition in order to be healthy.

—Jacqueline Rafferty, Plympton, MA

How can innovators change the world if they don't have an even playing field as big corporations?

—Domineque Taylor, waukegan, IL

Without Net Neutrality political dissent would be crushed. Any pretense that the United States is a democracy would dissappear. Or is that the point?

—Robert Juelich, Tacoma, WA

DO THE RIGHT THING FOR THE PEOPLE.

—James G Waddell, TOPEKA, KS

We face the entitlement of the 1% in every aspect of our lives and the last holdout was the Internet and now you've taken that away from people. Your rules are shameful.

—Andy Christiansen, East Montpelier, VT

Why is it now in this country, all of our basic rights and freedoms are slowly being taken away if we do not have billions of dollars to buy politicians? This is yet another example. I am on the internet every day, and now you want to limit my service. WHY? Let us keep what we have and tell the billionaires to go to hell!!!

—David Zielinski, Crossville, TN

The Internet needs to remain accessible and neutral. The FCC must throw out its rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Emily Chenoweth, Portland, OR

The internet should be a part of our free access infrastructure like our roads; non discriminatory and the speed limits are the same for everyone.

—Vicki Eckerdt, Ruidoso Downs, NM

Having full access to the internet is crucial to my very small business. Tom Wheeler needs to think about the needs of the majority of the people and NOT the power grab for the industry which he was a lobbyist for. It sounds like he is still thinking as a lobbyist, which should be against the law. Without NET NEUTRALITY, millions of small businesses will be hurt. DO NOT ALLOW VERIZON and COMCAST to further dominate our lives.

—Larry Bridges, Woodinville, WA

Internet is for us all. Please vote for Net Neutrality?

—Tracy Ewing, Artesia, CA

The innovation and vibrancy that has been so much part of the Internet depends on it being free. Please support Net Neutrality!

—Andrew Billeb, Dorchester, MA

The internet is too important for too many things and means too much to America to allow any company to limit access for those who can't or won't pay their extortionist fees and those who seek the content. This is legal extortion plain and simple and needs to be halted.

—Rebecca Walter, Waxhaw, NC

protect real Net Neutrality. protect real Net Neutrality.

—Joseph McClain, Paris, KY

The internet is a part of the commons that in this day and age is a critical part of our democracy. DON'T GIVE AWAY OUR DEMOCRACY!!!

—Terry Huinker, Lakewood, CO

The real and true citizens of the USA (meaning the ones that have a pulse, not the ones with a CEO) want and require a REAL neutral net! This blatant attack against real net neutrality cannot stand and a true net neutrality plan must be put forth. Tom Wheeler needs to abdicate the throne as he is obviously still doing his previous job.

—Clark Jackson, Raleigh, NC

Please leave the Internet alone. It is working perfectly fine the way it is!!

—Louis E. Aytch, Goodyear, AZ

Protecting Internet neutrality is critical to the millions of non-commerce users. All users must have equal access. Corporate control of speed and access will kill this communication giant. Internet designers would never want it controlled by a few greedy corporations.

—George Zinn, Newaygo, MI

Please FCC throw out your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Times are changing.

—Elsa Petersen, Doylestown, PA

Internet access should be a utility, most government offices (local, State and Federal) require people to use the Internet to file forms, questions and requests. Access to the Internet is much like electricity in that it is an absolute requirement.

—John Peterson, Mebane, NC

Allowing cable companies to limit Internet speeds or charge consumers for faster services would be a travesty of epic proportions. The fact this is even up for discussion is a shame in itself.

—Sean Saunders, Cookeville, TN

The internet is a public utility, originally invented by government scientists and technicians paid by taxpayer monies. It belongs to everyone equally, without a two-tiered system of services that would foster the already egregious inequality that exists in this nation. If anything, these telecoms should be paying half their already bloated profits from advertising back in taxes and user fees to the government, for the use of the 'net, and for the damage they cause to infrastructure as they rip up streets to run their cables.

—Walter Wade, New York, NY

I'm retired & can't afford to pay corporate prices to use the internet. Keep it fair for everyone!

—Sandra Riggs, Clyde, NC

So we can add the cable companies to the list of corporations that rule the USA. It's time to listen to the people and do what's best for them, not the corporations. Does the FCC have the balls to do that?

—Gayle Sullivan, North Port, FL

Net Neutrality is important because we do not need the internet to become ruined for us. People in America and people everywhere deserve real Net Neutrality so that the internet can remain such an efficient, helpful tool that we may possess.

—Julienne Chebat, Weston, FL

The Internet thrives on diversity, inclusion, and equal access. Please don't allow massive corporations to dictate the terms by which culture can be made, business can be done, or collaborations and communities can be built around the globe.

—Colin Fanning, Astoria, NY

The internet constitutes a real part of our world. It is public property, available to all CITIZENS to inhabit, use, and create. It is NOT the property of corporations. Ending net neutrality will for people underground. It will be the last straw in the popular belief and trust in the mainstream. It will signal the end of hope for a future public realm. The end of net neutrality will also mean a loss of wages for me and my family. As a self-employed small business owner, I rely on net neutrality to allow my business to exist. Please join us in protecting the internet from corporate interests. Have some back-bone. Listen to your calling. Do what is obviously and truly the right thing. Preserve (and strengthen!) Net Neutrality.

—Gust Burns, seattle, WA

You don't really need me or any of us in favor of net neutrality to explain it to you, do you??? If you are that ill-informed, you should not be in the position to it take away. Greed and money will destroy you, right along with us.

—Elaine Johnson, Las Vegas, NV

I want new, young tech talent to have the same opportunities they used to when we had net neutrality. With the proposed two-tier system, all of society may miss out on the next Google or YouTube because they will not have the money to pay Verizon to allow Internet users to access new developments. I don't want us all to lose. The United States needs to keep producing innovative technology, or we will lose our edge in the tech field. Europe already has better, faster Internet service for less money. Do we want them to be better at everything???

—Ms. Samantha Matson, Minneapolis, MN

Stop kowtowing to the corporations and do what is right for all people not just the few corporations. The Internet is the most democratic communication tool WE THE PEOPLE have. Leave well enough alone. Net Neutrality must be protected.

—Farley Leite de Akers, Recife, FL

In many ways the Internet offers unbridled potential for businesses seeking to market their products to consumers. Small companies with effective strategies have a chance to reach millions of potential buyers depending on the strength of their marketing and the quality of their product. This system of equal opportunity and a level playing field is one of mankind's greatest achievements and I believe that the telecommunication industry's proposals to create a two-tiered speed divide compromises that level playing field and threatens to undermine the benefits the Internet provides to all businesses and society as a whole. I strongly oppose the proposals of the telecommunications industry to create a multi-tiered system of internet access where certain providers may deliver their content at increased speeds as compared to other content producers.

—Stephen Dignan M.D., Greensboro, NC

I oppose the new NPRM or any set of rules which does not allow for a truly free and equal internet for all! Please reclassify broadband as a public utility now! Sincerely, Jim Benson

—James Benson, Abiquiu, NM

Business should not get preference over individuals

—Joan Brannigan, St. Louis, MO

I don't want discrimination on the internet, especially based on whether you can afford to pay extra fees.

—Margaret Sweeton, Wichita, KS

Real Net Neutrality is crucial to keep the internet accessible to all Americans (as well as other citizens across the world). The FCC has both the power and the mandate to treat ISPs as common carriers. The current Wheeler plan will allow media giants to expand their consolidation to include the Internet, fundamentally damaging individual rights and entrepreneurship opportunities.

—Zach Poff, Brooklyn, NY

Many people today receive most of their information and do much of their business over the internet. Maintaining a neutral internet is vital to the economy and maintaining a strong democracy in the US. Clearly, ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers and regulated for the good of society.

—Philip Kaaret, Iowa City, IA

The net belongs to everyone and all should have equal access

—Mark Sniegowski, Rockville, MD

Please keep the net neutral.

—Mr. Terry Schwartz, Minneapolis, MN

Isn't this supposed to be a government of, by, and for the people? The PEOPLE . . . not the corporations!! Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!

—Virginia Lee, Colorado Springs, CO

I don't much use the big sites that will get the "faster" service, like Facebook, YouTube and Google. I use the internet DAILY to get news and information, to email my family and sometimes to shop. PLEASE protect REAL NET NEUTRALITY. We all deserve fast access. The telecom giants already make more money than they need.

—Meredith Kearns, Lanexa, VA

A internet freely accessible and equally available in all its features, including speed, is an important world wide tool for freedom. It must not be impeded by any sort of monetary control. Thank you.

—Barbara J Spiegelberg, Pequea, PA

The internet is the modern day market place. Do not allow "mafia like" businesses to transform it in to a modern day "protection racket / toll charging" business model. America's future is at stake.

—Daniel Barrocas, Miami, FL

Resign, Mr. Wheeler. You have failed.

—Joel Durham Jr, Clifton Springs, NY

It is critically important that we maintain the neutrality of the Internet to insure that individuals may always have reasonable access for personal and professional communications. This access should not be made available to the highest bidders.

—Robert A. Vierling, Natick, MA

We want real net neutrality. The freedom has led to great innovation, communication, and learning. Don't stifle things by these rules.

—Carma D. Forgie, Chicago, IL

What the government has allowed to happen with cable cannot be allowed to happen with our ability to use the internet. The same players mostly are involved. When is enough enough. After all we've paid for these airwaves over and over again.

—Linda Papaforti, SOMERVILLE, MA

Access promotes democracy. We have already seen how giving Comcast and others control has cost consumers.

—Roberta Devlin-Scherer, Arlington, VT

I was told by a FCC official ,not to worry, nothing would harm net neutrality... hope this is still true

—William/leona Greene, lakewood, CO

Net Neutrality is important especially for seniors like myself who cannot afford any additional fees for service that has so far been free. I pay for the use of the internet service through my carrier AT&T and that is about all I can afford. It will be a burden to the poor and all of us on fixed incomes, who are already carrying a big burden. Mr. Wheeler should be more considerate to the everyday users rather than cave into big corporations.

—Judith Goldsmith, Charleston, SC

I use the internet for communications, entertainment, my job, and personal work. The company I pay for access should not be able to say that entertainment at their partner is more important and deserves more bandwidth than my employment traffic!

—William Peckham, Weirton, WV

We need Net Neutrality as a right for free expression.

—Roberto J. Gallegos.D., San José,

The Internet is the biggest force for equality and economic growth since the GI Bill following WWII. Selling it to the highest bidder will further erode our democracy and accelerate the rigging our economy for the benefit of the few at the expense of the rest of us. REGULATE THE INTERNET AS THE ESSENTIAL UTILITY THAT IT HAS BECOME.

—Gretchen Muehl, Moss Beach, CA

the plutocracy does not need further help, the middle class, democracy, does.

—Carl Schwensohn, Minneapolis, MN

Net Neutrality is important for the people, not the rich.

—Rosemary Colson, Tallahassee, FL

Net neutrality is fair. Anything else isn't. The BIG GUYS have enough power.... please don't screw the average internet user. Money isn't the only value America has, although sometimes it seems so. Do the right thing.

—Flora Metrick, Bonita Springs, FL

Net neutrality needs to be preserved. Please change your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. It's time to serve the people instead of a few privileged carriers.

—Judith Bartley, Charlottesville, VA

Please don't need up the internet

—Nathan Sowell, austin, TX

Net Neutrality should not be compromised by companies that have profit as a main goal. Income inequality is a growing concern in this country that only broadened knowledge will be able to address. Thank you

—David Knutson, Rochester, MN

Un-prioritized communications are critical to every facet of the Internet; by allowing 'fast lanes' for purchase, you will in effect systematically destroy freedom of speech and expression as only those with the means will be able to get their message out.

—Rubin Bennett, East Montpelier, VT

Huge corporations already control nearly every aspect of our lives, and work constantly to create monopolies or dominant cartels that squeeze everyone else out of the market. Without net neutrality, nobody but these corporate oligarchs will have any access to the internet.

—Arthur Thomas, Harrisville, MI

Net Neutrality is the vital lifeblood of our digital age. It allows for a level playing field, where new ideas can supplant established companies. I know that the telecom companies want to get into the protection racket, but it's high time we said "no" to monied interests.

—Ethan Hattendorf, Taylor Mill, KY

An open and free Internet was the way it was intended to be....It's the ONLY way to get real news & information today...Corporations control WAY TOO MUCH of our lives and getting rid of net neutrality will absolutely ruin an already decaying country. YOU WORK FOR ALL THE PEOPLE, NOT JUST THE WEALTHY AND PRIVILEGED!!!! Protecting the Internet from corporate takeover is your damn job!!!!!!!!!!!!!! QUIT SELLING OUT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE!!!!!!

—John Kuca, Little Rock, AR

Anything less would be uncivilized.

—Steven N., ashburn, VA

Why does Washington let big corporate money dictate the rules for everything? Protect the internet neutrality.

—Richard McLeod, Casselton, ND

The internet must be protectef as part of the commons we the people paid for its development we should be able to access it without corporate control over content access and cost do not let corporate interests corrupt the ability for everyone to be part of use this resource.

—Krissy Walter, Tumwater, WA

The Internet is just fine as it is. Don't fix something that's not broken. Already this country is being run by huge corporations and billionaires. Leave at least this one little corner free.

—Gudrun Schindler, Elgin, NE

The internet is for everyone to get their message out, not just the rich.

—Charles Norris, Olathe, KS

We need to enforce democracy and allow the people, majority rule, not Corps to decide internet use policies. Otherwise unrest and internet interference will continue unrelenting.

—Gerson Tendler, Manchester, NH

I am 78 years old. I use the internet for medical purposes, for investment purposes, for household bookkeeping functions, to stay in touch with friends and family who no longer live near me, and for a variety of research projects every day of my life. The two-tiered internet idea is tantamount to theft. The internet is not now and will not ever be a profit-making entity handed to a select few individuals or corporations for their control at the expense of America's internet users. Don't even try to REGULATE use of the internet as you have proposed to do. Go back to the drawing board and find a better way for AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon to handle what they see as their need for speed. They're already raking in millions or billions using one of America's national treasures, but it does NOT belong to them.

—Mona Locke, Napa, CA

Net Neutrality is a vital principle in safeguarding the Internet as a medium for spreading knowledge and promoting debate. Ending neutrality would not only severely compromise this, it would also reduce the Internet's value as a medium for commercial exchange and limit US competitiveness against nations that are committed to preserving a free and open Internet.

—Neil McWilliam, Chapel Hill, NC

Please restore some of my faith in the integrity of government by protecting net neutrality. The rules protect those who don't need it and leave the rest of us at a disadvantage. This is happening across the board in our country, economically, politically and elsewhere. I am not anti-government at all. I believe strongly in the need for a strong government to balance other power structures, particularly those with money or power. Unfortunately, political leaders are largely part of the innate power structures and are too close with money interests to see clearly and ethically. Instead government equates strong business with a strong country. There are other sectors of society beyond business that need to be protected in order for the country to remain strong and vibrant. Please, in this instance prove me wrong about government's effectiveness for its citizenry. Do the right thing for the average american rather than big business interests. Throw out the new rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Heather Harvey, Easton, MD

We must protect real Net Neutrality from a two-tiered internet, where giant internet providers charge extra fees for those who can afford it, and control online content! RECLASSIFY ISPs AS COMMON CARRIERS. YOU DON'T NEED TO FIX A SYSTEM THAT WASN'T BROKEN, FO THE BENEFIT OF PRIVATE COMPANIES!!!

—Sara L. Johnson, Cincinnati, OH

Net Neutrality should be protected to allow everyone equal access to the internet. Cable companies need more regulation and less freedom with the current monopoly situation they have currently. They should not allowed to make more money by providing faster service to those who can afford to pay them.

—Troy Stram, New Hope, MN

We need to maintain this medium as a democratic tool for the exchange of information and ideas. Every user should be treated equally. The airwaves don't belong to anyone and no one in our government should have the power to selectively award control to any private entity. Net neutrality must be maintained.

—Kelley Johnson, Hampden, MA

SAVE THE NET!!! This should be a no brainer, why mess up something that is not broke.

—D Gooding, Clifton, NJ

I'm an independent web developer and a multi-tiered web would make it very difficult for me to provide the best services for my clients!

—Robert Duckson, Hemet, CA

The Internet is for all citizens. It should be equal in access, and speed, regardless of the service provider. ISPs should not be allowed to discriminate for any reason, period.

—Tom Thomas Glenn, Morristown, TN

Please, PLEASE, reclassify the Internet (ISPs), as common carriers. The Internet, today, has become a "must have" utility for virtually all businesses as well as most individuals. Treating it as anything less would be a major disservice to all Americans!

—Bert Goff, New Milford, CT

The great value of the Internet lies in its availability to everyone on equal terms. A two-tiered Internet will benefit a few huge companies and their shareholders but will stifle competition from startups and growing businesses and throttle the ability of average citizens to communicate and participate in economic and civic dialogue.

—John Suter, Ithaca, NY

Net neutrality is critical in order to ensure a diversity of opinion on the web. We can't have big companies taking over the content of the web, just as they have succeeded in buying the political process through unlimited contributions to candidates.

—Joel L. Epstein, Greenwich, CT

Unless I become the next Verizon or Comcast which is highly unlikely, your new plan discriminates against me and the vast majority of people who use the internet. Why should those large corporations be allowed to destroy net neutrality? PLEASE KEEP NET NEUTRALITY!
—Stephanie C Peloquin, Rice Lake, WI

Allowing differentiation of service on the internet will drive the smaller content providers out of business and stifle innovation.
—Alan Gross, Somerset, NJ

I HAVE SELDOM HEARD OF A PLAN AS PERVERSE AS THE PROPOSED ONLINE TRAFFIC DISCRIMINATION PROPOSAL. THE FCC IS LITERALLY SENDING THE INTERNET BACK A DECADE, AND CRAPPING ON CONSUMERS/TAX PAYERS/VOTERS TO HAND BIG MEDIA A MONOPOLY. YOU HAVE ALLOWED MASSIVE CONSOLIDATION AT THE EXPENSE OF COMPETITION, CHOICE AND INNOVATION, AND NOW YOU ARE PROPOSING TO FURTHER KILL INNOVATION AND CHOICE BY ALLOWING THE PIPE PROVIDERS TO RANSOM ACCESS TO CONSUMERS WITH LITTLE CHOICE OF ONLINE ACCESS PROVIDERS. SHAME ON YOU FOR BEING PAID OFF AND PURCHASED. ISP'S MUST BE CLASSIFIED AS COMMON CARRIERS - THEY CHARGE THE CONSUMERS FOR A PIPE, DO NOT ALLOW THEM TO CURATE/DISCRIMINATE/PRIORITIZE /CHOOSE WHAT IS DELIVERED DOWN THAT PIPE.
—Tim Meyer, OAKTON, VA

No tiered internet! Freedom for the people - equal internet access to ALL, not just those with the big bucks to pay!!!
—Ken & Linda Waller, Palmyra, VA

watched the oliver video --- that's what the public thinks. p.s. you have a web page for comments that is incredibly difficult to use.
—Stephen Keller, Neponsit, NY

Simply this, the public is tired of the lies repeated ad nauseum by the monopolies. Decline in your readership and viewership is your own doing. Tell the truth once and a while and that may change but in the meantime we seek truth and know it can not be gotten from you. So your solution? Shut truth down, bad choice.
—Jeff Turner, st. lucie, FL

Please treat all the data equally.
—Edward Wugalter, Toronto,

Net neutrality is important because it makes the internet a truly fair and equal place. The internet to me, ever since it started, represented our most optimistic views and hopes on where our democracy could go in the future. It levels the playing field and let's everyone participate. Allowing private companies to establish "tolls" so that other companies/citizens have to be charged to access the internet faster is preposterous. These companies act as if they created the internet. No I'm sorry they didn't. The government did. Considering how much money these companies make and how much they use and abuse tax loop holes I'm fine with these companies not getting a single cent more. I shouldn't even have to be writing this right now but apparently companies have taken over the US government and I have no faith in the FCC or many other government agencies to do the right thing without a lot of the public letting them know they are watching. I have more important stuff in my life to be doing but unfortunately people in government love when the public isn't looking so they can do some ass backwards thing that lines their pockets with money or gives them cred with some company so in the future they can go work for them. Stop wasting everyone's time and do the right thing while no one is looking!
—Justin Maldonado, fairfield, NJ

Without net neutrality, companies would be free to block and control access to certain sites, which would greatly harm freedom of speech. Without equal access to the internet, in what way is the internet different from a boxed in lake, only allowed to flow in the directions people allow it, instead of how it will. Net neutrality protects that freedom that is so essential to this country, and the world in general.
—Nicholas Kopit, Freeport, NY

ISPs should be classified as common carriers. It does not cost an ISP more to send a movie then an email, all data is the same 1s and 0s when it's being transferred.

—Tiffany Grooms, Niles, OH

To me it is unbelievable that you even need public comments as to why we the public do not want big business to screw us one more time. The internet does not belong to these telecommunication companys and their is no reason our "we the people " government should give it to them unless they are going to pay all our taxes both passed and future.

—Robert Wolfe, Mantua, OH

A level playing field is the only way to protect fair access for all.

—Lanis LeBaron, Greenville, CA

we need net neutrality. if we lose it, we'll have a higher percentage of high school and college drop-outs per year. not only that, but people will lose their faith in congress, and will refuse to vote. if we don't have it, then we're not the United States of America. we'll become the next Adolf Hitler, Osama Bin Laden, or some other horrible person! if congress is so easily influenced by money, then why do we have the bill of rights? end this attack against net neutrality, or end your life as Americans, Congress! AT&T, Comcast, Verizon, and all other companies who want to create this two-tiered internet are nothing but scumbags, and you're the same if you support their ideas to destroy it!

—Christopher Hamm, Lake Waccamaw, NC

I don't want to pay for a bunch of separate services on the internet. I don't want the innovation that comes from the internet to be stifled. I don't want to have slow and crappy speed. Please leave the internet alone. Let's reclassify ISP's as common carriers.

—Matthew Ng, Mendota Heights, MN

The internet is my primary means of keeping in touch with others and obtaining information, sometimes very obscure, without leaving home or paying large sums of money to others. I enjoy streaming a video newscasts and other programs from overseas. I live on a fixed income that's barely adequate. If Comcast and the others separate "premium" content and charge extra to receive it at full speed, then that will be a major hardship for me.

—George G. Stradtman Jr., Elkins Park, PA

I produce educational software, much of it streaming. A tiered cost system will enable richer school districts to have fast, clean throughput, while poorer districts will be relegated to slow, notchy videos ruining the moment of learning, basically leaving them in "the back of the bus."

—Gregory M. Mandas, Redding, CT

Innovation and freedom of speech!

—Laurie Mecham, Salt Lake City, UT

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.

—Mark Creighton, E Greenbush, NY

Equal access to information should be a right extended to all people, not a privilege reserved for a small proportion of the wealthy. Justice demands that net neutrality be universal.

—Paul Kesler, Bridgeport, PA

Do not let Money make rules!

—David Nguyen, Westminster, CA

The internet should continue to be like our skies...open for everyone. What would be next....would I have to pay for extra water pressure if I wanted a really good shower? Would I have to pay for extra electricity if I wanted to really cool my home? Would I have to pay extra to get the best natural gas for my water heater? That is how silly the chair's proposed rule is. **KEEP THE INTERNET OPEN AND NEUTRAL!!**

—Randy White, Washington, DC

Internet has become a utility that everyone needs. Keep it free and open, without bias, without opportunity for carriers to switch to pay for fast lane service. Look how everyone feels about cable/satellite. Do we really need that with something that is actually critical to our technology? No!

—Matt Cox, Everett, WA

I'm a senior on the financials edge every month. I do depend on the Internet for convenience in shopping, accessing news, looking up my medical billing, etc. and entertainment. I am disturbed that that Netflix might be taken away from me, with more now free sites to come I can't imagine why the FCC would permit discrimination of any kind to any citizen. Corporations are not citizens.

—Barbara Phillippi, Wellington, FL

I fear that our country is becoming an oligarchy, and allowing big business to control the exchange of ideas will only expedite this. The free exchange of ideas is necessary to sustain our democracy.

—Sandra Pesce, Massapequa Park, NY

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's lan to sell the Net is discriminatory, anti-American and anti-democracy. These rules do not represent the spirit, the will or the best interests of the American people. Wheeler's eagerness to shill for corporations is disgraceful. Please do the right thing, reject this shameful plan and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. **PROTECT NET NEUTRALITY FOR THE GOOD OF THIS GREAT COUNTRY!**

—Nancy Oliver, Los Angeles, CA

leave what works well alone! do NOT END NET NEUTRALITY!!!!!!!!!!!!!! aren't cable companies rich enough? i know they spend over 18 million dollars to change governments voting but for heaven's sake-for once- listen to the people! we do not want a change to net neutrality.

—Cheryl Kumiski, buxton, ME

The Internet is far too important and powerful to make it about money and the haves and have-nots!

—Matthew Loper, Tiverton, RI

As a small entrepreneur, losing net neutrality would mean losing much of the opportunity to break through and compete with large corporations. It's simply unfair. Whatever the US does on this, will be copied elsewhere, so your actions impacts us all.

—Martin Wehlou, Uppsala, TX

everyone needs access that is free

—Lola Quinlan, ft collins, CO

Get real! ISPs are common carriers.

—Robert Sciamanda, Erie, PA

Keep big money out of news and communication avenues

—Matthew Gough, south burlington, VT

I am an American citizen; natural born and I don't appreciate someone taking away my ability to communicate based on my ability or lack of it, to pay premium fees. It's like creating a Lexus lane on the interstate. I use the Internet to learn things and keep in touch with people. Why should I have to pay more than I already do for decent service?

—Trina LC Sonnenberg, Nucla, CO

KEEP THE NET OPEN. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME

—Carrie, LAS VEGAS, NV

ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers!! The easiest way to keep speed-discrimination from occurring is to prevent it at the outset, not try to police it later after the damage is done. Especially since after the fact enforcement will be subject to politics and influence.

—Thomas St John, Woodway, WA

Internet Neutrality is very important to me I feel it is the cornerstone of innovation, free speech and democracy on the Internet. I am a pensioner and would never have been able to do what I do if I had not had the format we have today I urge the FCC to support Net Neutrality. Thank you

—Merice Ewart Marshall, Bridlington,

DO THE RIGHT THING IS WHAT WE ARE SAYING. NET NEUTRAL.

—Katerina Kokolis, Columbia, SC

Don't let the cable companies destroy the internet!

—Brian Berrier, San Antonio, TX

Net Neutrality is important to me. Please classify internet providers as common carriers.

—Kimberly Berkey, Stanford, CA

I'm sick and tired of the person in the street getting kicked to the curb by the rich, by corporations. ! We all need the internet

—Bobbi Bordeaux, Corrales, NM

I think that Net Neutrality is important because we would all hate having to pay a fee for faster internet service. That and whatever else happens when Net Neutrality is gone would most definitely be unacceptable.

—Daniel English, Dacula, GA

As most business, commercial and personal, is conducted online this could have drastic consequences.

—Gillian Manley, Kingsbridge,

My husband is a flight instructor who relies heavily on access to the internet for fast and accurate information. Net neutrality is a matter of safety. Just"make it so"!!!

—Karen Bowman, Westminster, CO

Everyone should have EQUAL access.

—Robert Soderstrom, Grand Blanc, MI

Not only should we give everyone an equal chance online we should break up the big media companies and let smaller businesses offer more variety. How can we have a democracy when a few giant corporations control all the media and internet?

—Linda Cameron, Richland, WA

Commercializing Internet access through a two-tiered plan is a BAD idea! All ISPs should be required to certify compliance with a regulation PROHIBITING such pricing --instead of making even more profits and providing worse service.

—Richard Johnson, Bellingham, WA

THE INTERNET ***MUST*** REMAIN A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD, AND INDIVIDUAL SERVICE PROVIDERS AND CONTENT PROVIDERS MUST ***NOT*** HAVE PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT BY BEING ABLE TO PURCHASE ACCESS TO AN INTERNET "FAST LANE." THE FAIR AND UNBIASED ACCESS TO ALL INTERNET CONTENT IS INSTRUMENTAL TO KEEPING THE INTERNET THE PREMIERE METHOD OF INFORMATION DISSEMINATION, AND THE INTERESTS OF CORPORATIONS AND SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS SHOULD NOT BE GIVEN PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT, BASED PRIMARILY ON THEIR ABILITY TO PAY FOR HIGHER SPEED ACCESS THAN OTHERS. SUCH ACTIONS WILL STIFLE COMPETITION, CREATIVITY AND EXPRESSION. PLEASE TAKE WHATEVER STEPS ARE NECESSARY TO PRESERVE FREE AND UNFETTERED ACCESS TO ALL INTERNET CONTENT, AND PRESERVE NET NEUTRALITY.

—Paul Arnote, Independence, MO

Companies should not have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications.

—William D. Sharpe III, Marlinton, WV

The Internet should be declared a public utility; Big Business has NO business running it.

—Eugene J Cahill, Hackettstown, NJ

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Do NOT make divisions between American citizens. Don't behave like our enemy.

—Robert Lehan, Westfield, MA

I don't want to grow up in a continuously growing police state that turns me into their work bot. This is one step of that plan.

—Aron Lloyd, San Jose, CA

Protect net neutrality of, by, and for The People. Those who wrote the constitution, not the abusive, usurious, and sleazy ones called "corporations " your lobbyist Dick Director used to work for through the revolving corporatocratic door.

—Jeff Lakey, Denver, CO

Don't let greedy corporations take over the Internet. You have the fox watching the chicken coup with the cable company lobbyist running the FCC

—Rick Henry, carlsbad, CA

Don't allow the Net to be controlled, like most other media, by greedy, power hungry corporations. Power to the people!

—Kevin Oldham, Shirley, NY

Would you turn the interstate highway system over to Walmart so that all individuals and small businesses could only use one lane and Walmart got the rest? That's what the FCC proposal would do to the internet in the US. You're supposed to represent the people of this country, not the megacorps.

—Phil McIntosh, Lawrenceville, GA

The internet should be open to all users equally. Discrimination should have no place in the internet.

—Annabelle Herbert, Tucson, AZ

It's wrong to allow companies to re-purpose infrastructure customers have already paid for. If they want fast lanes, build a second network that isn't connected to the internet called medianet and then have customers pay for a second medianet connection that allows for high speed connections to any service that is willing to pay for their media net connection. Most cable providers now actually provide their services over the internet using proprietary iptv equipment. ISPs are also content providers, and to think they wouldn't use this to negatively effect competition would be foolish. Lastly, the internet is a utility! Why haven't we reclassified it like every sane nation? Fast lanes help private industry, and the one suggestion that it could be used to ensure more reliable connections for healthcare related applications is a joke. Healthcare costs are already high, I don't need my ISP to get a cut of the action.

—Patrick McMorran, Deep River, CT

The only purpose for the Internet and access to it is people to people information sharing. Corporate and business interests are like an uninvited guest that want to control the entire conversation simply because they are present. They forget they were never invited in the first place. Now they've become predatory collecting our searches, data and act as though they are "in charge" of the information and communications we share. None of their activity was ever intended or desired. It is important to remind the "corporate and business interests" to behave as the uninvited parties they are. The restrictions they are developing are completely self serving and undesirable.

—Donald Cox, Chelan, WA

THE INTERNET IS MY WINDOW TO THE WORLD. I CAN'T AFFORD CABLE TV ANY MORE. PLEASE DON'T SLOW IT DOWN. THE BIG TELECOM COMPANIES ALREADY HAVE TOO MUCH POWER.

—David J Keller, Roswell, GA

Any kind of censorship or fee system is unacceptable.

—Rae Newman, city, CA

We must have Net Neutrality ! Tom Wheeler must step down. We don't have a class system in this country and there should not be one on the Net either. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Albert Westpy, Brick, NJ

Net neutrality is important to me because the internet is an entire, ever-changing culture that has been and should be free to anyone who wants access it. The internet is a safe place and a lot of the time when people can't trust their friends or family in real life, they can reach out to people with the same problems and help each other.

—Lily Wooters, Mt. Pleasant, SC

By taking away net neutrality you would be saying: "Corporations are all created equal and the people are less than equal"--that's UNCONSTITUTIONAL!

—Carol Wyndham, Peterborough, NH

Net neutrality means we get access to a variety of news and opinions, and that Internet content is controlled by the people, not by the corporations.

—Dennis Fogarty, Columbus, OH

The last time I had Comcast come out to install cable at my house they were 2 days late, and didn't bother contacting me about it. I'm really not ok with having to pay more for the services I receive via the Internet to avoid having my email arrive in a similar timeframe.

—Morgen Peschke, SEVERN, MD

THROW OUT THE PLANS and RECLASSIFY ISP AS COMMON CARRIERS and the INTERNET AS A UTILITY. Tom Wheeler needs to step down as FCC Chairman due to his actions and internet plan that he is pushing.

—Kim Alvesteffer, Deltona, FL

Like most users, I need unfettered access to the internet. The truly FREE internet is the best thing that ever happened to free speech. It should not be allowed to favor the highest bidder! Speech should be truly FREE....for everyone, not just those who can pay for faster access. Everyone's speech should be equal. The solution is to classify ISP's as common...open equally to all. Thank you Caroline Hair Columbia SC
—Caroline Hair, Columbia, SC

a two- tiered internet system would obviously handicap the citizenry.
—Don Wleklinski, Terre Haute, IN

Net neutrality is important for the "health" and status of a fair Internet. Big ISP's would be allowed too much influence over speeds and services. The Internet is a large and complicated arena, but does not need money-hungry corporations controlling its bandwidth.
—Jesse Campbell, Somerville, MA

The internet is for everyone. Keep it that way.
—Behan Darren, Austin, TX

THE INTERNET MEANS FREE SPEECH!
—Gabe Slade, Johnson City, TN

I urge you to rescind your plan to kill net neutrality.
—Mr Thomas Artin, Sparkill, NY

Letting the ISP's drive public policy is a blatant conflict of interest! Make the choice that best for the consumers!
—Jarrod Haselbauer, Warrenton, VA

Too much of the American government and economy is controlled by those who have the most money. We have a chance now, to stop the dinosaurs of cable from using their deep pockets to control the quality and content of what customers receive. Small companies, independent organizations, open source projects and more should not have any restrictions placed on them because they don't have enough money to bribe the cable dinosaurs to have faster access.
—Brock Stearn, Burbank, CA

free networks not thrown to money hungry wolves
—Joe Barnes, new york, NY

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I believe the United States needs and deserves net neutrality.
—Burton Taylor, Harpswell, ME

Everyone needs access to the internet nowadays - for job searches, information searches, keeping in touch. Please don't make it unaffordable and inefficient for those that need it the most.
—Stephanie Flessert, Oconomowoc, WI

KEEP REAL NET NEUTRALITY !!!!! DONT TURN THE INTERNET INTO THE COMERCIAL WASTE LAND OF CABLE TV. DONT LET COMCAST RUIN THE INTERNET FOR THE PROFIT OF FEW AND THE RUIN OF MANY!!!!
—Marc Swartzbaugh, Surry, ME

DO YOUR DAMN JOB and protect America's innovation, competition, infrastructure, and freedom by preserving Net Neutrality. Protecting the public good from abuses by the greedy and short-sighted is a large part of why the FCC even exists.

—Richard Rittenhouse, Colchester, IL

Don't be a dick

—Bruce Dombrowski, Turnersville, NJ

Do not be a fox guarding the hen house. Do the right thing by NOT allowing Net Neutrality to dissolve into a puddle of benefits for large corporations at the expense of the rest of us!!!! Do not allow this travesty of tiered service that would create an artificial scarcity. You are public servants . . so serve the public!!!!

—Justine Toms, Santa Rosa, CA

The elite are trying to control the flow of information. I'm talking to you FCC, your a part of the corruption. Keep the flow of information free or else!

—Bernard, cleveland, OH

Tom Wheeler: Leave our Internet alone. Stop lying to Americans. How did you ever get appointed to head the FCC? Who paid whom? Karen Kane

—Karen Kane, Roslindale, MA

Please do not let the net become a playground of the monopolists.

—John Borgoy, Pleasant Valley, NY

The internet is he only power the regular citizen has to voice their opinion and make a difference. Thanks to Citizen's United and the voting suppression our vote don't count anymore!

—Kristine Weigel, Monaca, PA

The public/consumer is more important and valuable to our economy than the corporate entities (which depend upon the public/consumer),

—Craig F. Anderson, Quincy, MA

THE INTERNET WORKS FINE THE WAY IT IS. DO NOT "FIX" WHAT IS NOT BROKEN!!!

—Terry Hammond, Elsberry, MO

DO YOU REMEMBER THE "RAILROAD BARRONS", AND THEIR ARBITRARY ABUSE OF THEIR MONOPOLY ON A SEGMENT? WHY DO YOU WANT TO GIVE THAT TO A FEW HUGE COMPANIES TO ABUSE ANY WAY THEY CAN GET BY WITH? NET NEUTRALITY - PERIOD!

—Curt Huff, TALLAHASSEE, FL

Keep the internet equally available to all.

—Deborah Economidis, DOVER, DE

net neutrality isi mportant to everyone in a free country

—Cecelia Deprey, sheboygan, WI

Keeping the internet totally neutral is our best chance we have to retaining every person's fair and equal rights and having a functioning democracy.

—Yvonne Parma, Medford, MA

Net neutrality is a critical component of democracy. Let's keep it that way, please.

—Anthony Formichelli, Fairfield, CT

The internet was developed by the government, not by the companies that are now attempting to compel users to pay more for the same. Greed is fine, but the greed of the internet service providers has gotten far beyond anything acceptable in a fair and well-run society. The internet belongs to all of us; not to three or four billionaires. The FCC should not be rewarding those whose only conceivable justification for seeking speed control on the internet is that they paid a lot of money to the campaign funds of those who appointed the FCC members and therefore should get it back at the expense of the people.

—Samuel Pearson, Saint Louis, MO

Keep the playing field level for all users. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers! Protect net neutrality.

—Janelle Chase, San Francisco, CA

Net neutrality is important. As a government agency, you are supposed to be working for the PEOPLE, not big money corporations !!

—William Polcari, garfield, NJ

Keeping the Internet a level playing field is vital to fostering creativity, freedom of expression, and equality of access. The Internet must not become the same as television or telephones, where telecommunication companies already control and profit immensely from their use. Enough wealth has been concentrated in the coffers of those corporate entities. The Internet is a unique means of communication that must be allowed to continue "as is" to ensure fair and democratic use. By preserving its current form and protecting it from the plundering ways of telecom giants, the diversity and ingenuity from which the future of life on this planet must draw will also be protected.

—Dara Stillman, Denver, CO

Please reclassify ISP as common carriers. The Internet should be a place where anyone no matter how rich or poor should be able to get the information they need. Small businesses should be able to do business online without paying astronomical amounts of money to be there. Don't make the Internet a business, keep it neutral so that we can all live a better future.

—Katrina VanTyne, Burlington, VT

Introducing a tiered system will result in a winner takes all playing field and that is not fair

—Gregory David, St Louis Park, MN

Do not turn the Internet over to big business, Tax money went for helping develop the Internet, It belongs to the people Not big Buisness

—Jewel Dotson, OBrien, FL

Please make rulings that do not give some corporations financial privileges that limit my internet experience due to tiered cost systems! In that way, both discovery of entrepreneurs by potential clients is also stymied by each of theirs access to capital!! The beauty of the internet is that it has served somewhat as a economic "equalizer." Please do not let access to a regular internet experience be ANOTHER reason explaining the growing inequality between the haves and the havenots in the United States!

—cassandra Butler, Ferguson, MO

As a small business owner, the internet is now a necessity. Trying to compete with mega companies becomes harder each day. I cannot afford to pay extra for a service that is needed to conduct business. By allowing those mega corporations to control internet service the FCC would be breaking the back of small business

—Joe Kutsop, Blakely, PA

Discrimination is frowned upon offline, it should be the same way online. Tom Wheeler should not be allowed to have control over the internet, nor should anyone who thinks it's okay to have a discriminating attitude and thinks it's okay to treat everyone like dirt. Remove Tom Wheeler from the FCC, and anyone else who thinks they can trample upon Net Neutrality and think it's alright to do so.

—James A, NA, OH

Giving more power to big corporations has to stop. Government has to protect people's right. Allow everybody to have equal access to the web.

—Roya Damsaz, Fridley, MN

What ever happened to breaking up monopolies? If you allow these big internet providers' highly paid lobbyists to tell you to discriminate, you are only aiding the 1% to pad their own pockets. Shame on you for lying and legalizing discrimination. This is just one more example of why the American public doesn't trust our government! For once, actually listen to the general public (who don't have lobbyists) and do something worth our tax dollars to make our lives better. RECLASSIFY ISPs AS COMMON CARRIERS!!!!!!!!!! That's what you're supposed to do, so now DO IT.

—Lynn Karr, Berthoud, CO

In one word, as vehemently and defiantly shouted by William Wallace (played by Mel Gibson) in "Braveheart" -- FREEDOM!

—Erik Roth, Minneapolis, MN

I want the Internet to be accessible to all, not just those who have money! Also, I don't want Internet companies to restrict content based upon their own company gain! For example, I don't want any negative Koch Brothers information to be blocked from providers just because they may have a monetary relationship with the Koch Brothers! Freedom of the press is weakened!

—Maureen Wheeler, Silver Spring, MD

I feel it's important to ensure future start-up companies had a level playing field with large companies that can pay more for a fast lane. Every second in the internet counts and a fast lane would give an unfair and undue advantage to entrenched incumbents while preventing startups the equal access so crucial for tier growth.

—Mark Miller, Chesterland, OH

You need to protect our freedoms online and not give into the pressure from big business! Please do the right thing.

—Derek Darby, Iowa City, IA

Freedom of speech. The big idea behind this country was that we are all created equal. But without we the people (that is, the government) watching out for ourselves, there is no such thing as free speech and equality of speech. Money will drown out all other voices if it is allowed to. Please do not aid and abet this. Protect net neutrality.

—Brian Hicks, Oakland, CA

Government need to stop those Big Company from taking over the internet. All they want is more money. That why they want a two-tiered internet so thay can change more. How is this fair to all.

—Jeff Waters, Ocala, FL

ISPs should be treated as common carriers. The American people need you to sustain net neutrality.

—Carolyn Musser, Hawthorne, NJ

Please do not end Net Neutrality.

—Anne Erde, Jamaica Plain, MA

Keep the internet from becoming two-tiered.

—Genevieve J. Miller, Arlington, VA

Hello FCC, It world is in a precarious spot when it comes to the values of our forefathers of Democracy, free speech and equality for all. The US government is not representing like it used to. The internet needs to be the new beacon of free speech and equality for all if we are going to empower the people through information. Please do not let it become another example of the free market economy-created gap between the rich and poor. We must uphold the values of democracy first and those of a capitalistic free-market economy second. Thank you for hearing my plea!

—Katharine Woods, Bellevue, ID

I DO NOT want my ISP dictating my choice of content. Support innovation, one speed for all data!

—Barry Jaffe, Venice, CA

Monopolistic practices caused our economy to collapse. Now the telecom giants want to bully internet consumers. The FCC must classify internet service providers as "common carriers" for the benefit of the American consumer population!

—Kathryn Nocerino, new york, NY

hands off the net

—Gary Hotham, Norwich, CT

The fact that most Americans have none, one, or at most only two choices for ISPs means there is not enough competition. It's effectively a monopoly. Therefore has to be regulated by the government of we the people. The vertical integration--that ISPs can also sell the device (cell phones) and the content--also reduces competition. Therefore has to be regulated by the government of we the people. The vertical integration--that ISPs can also sell the device (cell phones) and the content--also reduces competition. Therefore has to be regulated by the government of we the people. The vertical integration--that ISPs can also sell the device (cell phones) and the content--also reduces competition. Therefore has to be regulated by the government of we the people. Providing internet service ought to be a public utility. The internet is the new post office. Therefore has to be regulated by the government of we the people. Stop listening to the lobbyist's for the oligarchs--get out of the revolving door--and do the right thing for

—Golde Holtzman, Blacksburg, VA

A 2-tiered Internet is the DEATH of Net Neutrality; it's cable TV by any other name. I spend way too much time online reading, sharing, and commenting on politics, economics, rock n' roll, and the Pittsburgh Pirates. For better or worse, a free and open Internet makes life worth living for yours truly. Don't turn me into a cable TV subscriber.

—Robert M. Goetz, Wilkinsburg, PA

QUIT BEING CORRUPT - FOR THE FIRST TIME DO SOMETHING IN THE INTEREST OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. DO NOT KILL THE NET

—Melissa Rizo, Los Angeles, CA

KEEP NET NEUTRALITY! Listen to all those people sending you messages telling you to keep it. OBVIOUSLY, it's something we all want. If this changes, heads WILL roll and I GUARENTEE that you will see some very very unhappy voters just itching to remove you from your position of power. This country is run on what voters/constituents want/need. Not on high companies that want to corrupt it. During election time, we will all remember the choice you make. Whether it be good or bad is up to you.

—Richard Willoughby Jr, Jacksonville, FL

The beauty of the Internet is that it allows anyone, regardless of sex, race, creed, culture or religion to have an equal voice. Stop proposing legislation that will undo net neutrality and destroy free speech on the internet! Keep it free!

—Peter Kennedy, Bronx, NY